

Tabulation and evaluation of upstream actions by game

Game	Water yr.	Month	Action	Volume (TAF)		Qualitative evaluation
				Sacramento	San Joaquin	
2	1991	Apr	San Joaquin market release		30	Extend and expedite smolt emigration.
		Aug	Water quality release	30		Assume Yuba releases; could provide minor temperature and habitat area benefits for chinook salmon and steelhead.
		Sep	Water quality release	30		
	1992	Oct	Sacramento R. market release	50		Hydrograph smoothing**, increased spawning area.
		Oct	San Joaquin market release		35	Attraction flow benefit
		Oct	Water quality release	30		Assume Yuba releases; could provide minor temperature and habitat area benefits for steelhead
		Nov	Sacramento R. market release	50		Hydrograph smoothing, increased spawning area extent; expedite yearling emigration
		Nov	San Joaquin market release		35	Attraction flow benefit; improved spawning conditions
		Mar	San Joaquin market release		60	Primarily for winter run and splittail protection in Delta
		Mar	San Joaquin market release		40	Expedite early smolt emigration.
		Aug	Water quality release	30		Assume Yuba releases; could provide minor temperature and habitat area benefits for chinook salmon and steelhead.
		Sep	Water quality release	30		
	1993	Oct	Sacramento R. market release	33		Hydrograph smoothing, increased spawning area.
		Nov	Sacramento R. market release	33		Hydrograph smoothing, increased spawning area.
		Mar	Shasta (backing water)	-25		Historic Keswick release about 4000 cfs below long-term average; minor adverse effects
		Jul	Shasta release	50		Temperature and habitat area benefits for winter run, yearlings, and steelhead.
		Jul	Sacramento R. market release	100		Temperature and habitat area benefits for winter run, yearlings, and steelhead.
		Jul	San Joaquin market release		100	Temperature and habitat area benefits for steelhead.
	1994	Apr	San Joaquin market release		60	Extend and expedite smolt emigration.
		Jun	San Joaquin market release		40	Extend and expedite smolt emigration.
		Aug	Shasta (backing water)	-20		Nearly average base release; negligible adverse effect.
		Aug	Water quality release	30		Assume Yuba release; minor temperature and habitat area benefits for steelhead
		Aug	Sacramento R. market release	50		Temperature and habitat area benefits.
		Sep	Shasta release	20		Minor temperature and habitat area benefits
		Sep	Sacramento R. market release	17		Minor temperature and habitat area benefits
	1995	Oct	Sacramento R. market release	17		Hydrograph smoothing, increased spawning area.
		Oct	Water quality release	30		Hydrograph smoothing, increased spawning area.
		Nov	Sacramento R. market release	17		Hydrograph smoothing, increased spawning area.
		Jan	Shasta (backing water)	-50		Large outflow event; negligible adverse effect.

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4	1991	Apr	San Joaquin market release		14	Early VAMP; expedite smolt emigration.
	1992	Oct	San Joaquin market release		28.6	Primarily moved to EWA SOD storage --
		Nov	San Joaquin market release		28.6	some chinook salmon benefit
		Dec	San Joaquin market release		28.6	as attraction flow for adults.
		Mar	San Joaquin market release		60	Extend and expedite smolt emigration.
	1993	Oct	San Joaquin market release		13	Primarily moved to EWA SOD storage --
		Nov	San Joaquin market release		13	some chinook salmon benefit
		Dec	San Joaquin market release		13	as attraction flow for adults.
		Mar	Shasta (backing water)	-60		Historic Keswick release about 4000 cfs below long-term average; minor adverse effects.
	1994	Aug	Shasta release	60		Primarily moved to EWA SOD storage -- minor temperature benefit for chinook salmon
		Aug	San Joaquin market release		50	Primarily moved to EWA SOD storage --
		Mar	San Joaquin market release		60	Extend and expedite smolt emigration.
		Mar	Folsom (backing water)	-30		Possible stranding, protracted emigration
		Apr	San Joaquin market release		60	Extend and expedite smolt emigration.
		Apr	San Joaquin market release		60	Extend and expedite smolt emigration.
*	1995	Jan	Shasta (backing water)	-50		Large outflow event; negligible adverse effect.
		Jan	Folsom release	120		Expedite fall run fry movement to Delta; may not be a benefit.

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5	1991	Apr	San Joaquin market release		14	Extend and expedite smolt emigration.
		May	San Joaquin market release		15	Extend and expedite smolt emigration.
		July	Folsom (backing water)	-33.3		Reduced steelhead habitat; saving water for fall chinook
		Aug	Folsom (backing water)	-33.3		Reduced steelhead habitat; saving water for fall chinook
		Sep	Folsom (backing water)	-33.3		Reduced steelhead habitat; saving water for fall chinook
*	1992	Oct	Folsom release	60		Releases to smooth hydrographs;
		Oct	San Joaquin release		24	attraction, spawning, and incubation benefits
		Nov	Folsom release	60		
		Nov	San Joaquin release		24	
		Dec	Folsom release	60		
		Dec	San Joaquin release		23	
		Apr	San Joaquin market release		30	Extend and expedite smolt emigration.
		Jul	Sacramento R. market release	62		Temperature and habitat area benefit.
		Oct	Sacramento R. release	38		Hydrograph smoothing, increased spawning area.
		Apr	Shasta (backing water)	-50		
*	1993	Jul	Shasta release	100		Temperature benefit
		Jul	Oroville release	50		Minor temp. and hab. area benefits for over-summering juv. chinook and steelhead.
		Jul	San Joaquin release		120	Possible steelhead benefits; temp. control
		Aug	Shasta release	60		Temperature benefit.
		Sep	Shasta release	120		Minor temperature benefit; hydrograph smoothing
		Dec	Shasta (backing water)	-115		Minor redd dewatering risk
		Mar	San Joaquin market release		50	Primarily to protect WR in Delta; minor WQ and habitat quantity benefits for SJ juveniles.
		Apr	San Joaquin market release		50	Extend and expedite smolt emigration.
		Apr	Shasta (backing water)	-100		Base release 2000 cfs below avg., but above AFRP recommended flow;
		May	Shasta (backing water)	-60		minor adverse effect on emigrant smolts, possible adult delay
*	1994	Aug	Shasta release	45		Temperature benefit.
		Feb	Shasta (backing water)	-50		Large outflow event; negligible adverse effect.

* Game spreadsheet and notes do not agree; generally accepted notes as capturing intended application of the EWA.

** "Hydrograph smoothing" or control means that releases were intended to fill in troughs in the hydrograph that could lead to adverse spawning conditions, redd dewatering, or juvenile stranding.

Upstream benefits for splittail resulting from increased flow, such as increased floodplain inundation area or inundation duration, are also possible.

Upstream Benefit Summary

(Volumes in TAF)

Sacramento Basin

Type of upstream benefit

		Temp. control	Hydrograph control	Total
Game	Year			
*2	1991	60		60
	1992	90	100	190
	1993	150	66	216
	1994	117		117
	1995		64	64
	Total	417	230	647
4	1991	60		60
	1992			0
	1993			0
	1994			0
	1995		120	120
	Total	60	120	180
**5	1991			0
	1992	62	180	242
	1993	330	38	368
	1994	45		45
	1995			0
	Total	437	218	655
Grand mean				~100
Std. Dev.				110

* This game included water quality releases and new facilities anticipated by the middle of Stage 1.

** Extensive backing of water into Shasta, Folsom, and Oroville may have resulted in adverse effects.

For comparison, the AFRP annual acquisition goal for instream fishery habitat ranged from 0 to 100 TAF across alternatives, with no quantified amount for nine tributaries (CVPIA draft PEIS 1997, pg. II-30). This does not include b(1) or b(2) water.

Since 1994, AFRP upstream purchases have ranged from 8 to 68 TAF.

Upstream Benefit Summary

(Volumes in TAF)

San Joaquin Basin

Type of upstream benefit

		Smolt emigration	Attraction flow	Temp. control	Total
Game	Year				
*2	1991	30			30
	1992	100	70		170
	1993			100	100
	1994	100			100
	1995				0
	Total	230	70	100	400
4	1991	14			14
	1992	60	86		146
	1993		39	50	89
	1994	120			120
	1995				0
	Total	194	125	50	369
**5	1991	29			29
	1992	30	71		101
	1993			120	120
	1994	100			100
	1995				0
	Total	159	71	120	350
Grand mean					~75
Std. Dev.					57

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** Extensive backing of water into Shasta, Folsom, and Oroville may have resulted in adverse effects.

For comparison, the AFRP annual acquisition goal for instream fishery habitat ranged from 170 to 710 TAF across alternatives (CVPIA draft PEIS 1997, pg. II-30). This does not include b(1) or b(2) water.

Since 1994, AFRP upstream purchases have ranged from 30 to 150 TAF.

"Angst factor" summary

Year	Winter-run	Spring-run			Fall-run			
		Deer	Mill	Butte	Sacramento	American	Stanislaus	Tuolumne
1991	0.08	0.55	0.24	0.42	0.62	0.44	0.21	0.06
1992	0.07	0.60	0.23	0.54	0.57	0.53	0.15	0.05
1993	0.05	0.45	0.23	0.45	0.56	0.72	0.14	0.06
1994	0.04	0.46	0.31	0.40	0.61	1.00	0.16	0.12
1995	0.05	0.39	0.37	0.80	0.65	1.19	0.18	0.21

Click on cell A-13 for an explanative comment on how these factors were derived.